US pressure on Indo-Japan Computer deal

2229. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn *to* the news item which appeared in the Statesman of 15th September, 1986 under the caption 'Japan under US pressure on computer deal'; if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that US has requested Japan to impose tough restrictions on the sale of meteorological computers to India;

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(d) what steps Government have taken to counter US pressure on Japan and 6btain computer for the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes Sir, One of the leading Japanese economic dailies, Nihon Keizai Shimbun, has reported that "Japan was under US pressure to be careful in deciding to export super computers to India and ensure that high technologies involved in such transactions did not find their way to the Soviet Union".

(b) Apart from the news item, there was no official communication from the concerned Government indicating any such imposition.

(c) and (d) Do not arise in view of (b) above.

Power projects of West Bengal pending for the approval of Planning Commission

2230. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state what are the power projects of West Bengal which have been approved, those which have not been approved by the Planning Commission and the reasons for their non-approval?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SUKH RAM); The approved and on-going projects are given in Statement-I *(See* below). The details of projects proposed by the State Government but not approved by Planning Commission and the reasons for their non-approval are given in Statement-II.

Statement I

Approved & on-going Projects

	Name of Project	Capacity (MW)
1	Durgapur Projects Ltd's 6th Unit	1 X 110
2	Kolaghat Thermal Power Station-Stage I	3 X 210
3	Rammam Stage II (HEP)	4 X 12.5
4	Kolaghat T.P.S. Stage-II	3 X 210
5	Fazi Augmentation	1·2
6	Rinchingron Augmentation	1·0
7	Teesta Canal Stage I to IV	3 X 3 X 7·5
	Central Projects	
1	Farakka—State I (NTPC)	3 X 200
2	Farakka—Stage II (NTPC)	2 X 500
3	Mejia TPS	3 X 210
4	Maithon Gas Turbines	3 X 30

Statement II

New Unapproved Projects proposed by West Bengal Government

	Name of the Projects	Capacity (MW)	Reasons for non-approval
1	Sagardihi TPS	(3X210+2X500)	Financial provisions by State Government not firm.
2	Durgapur Projects Ltd. 7th Unit.	1 X 210	Financial Provisions by State Government not firm.
3	Bakreshwar TPS	3 X 210	Clearance from State Forest Department for Ash Disposal System not received. The State Govt. was last reminded on 13-10-1986 to arrange and furnish the same. Their reply is awaited. Besides, firm coal linkage and funding arrangements have not been established.
4	Rammam Stage I	2 X 15	Central Electricity Authority (CEA) has reported that revised estimates have not been received from the State Government.

Demand for TV relay station at Jamnagar

2231. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI; Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND' BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints of poor visibility of Television at Jamnagar;

(b) whether it is a fact that-both the Television relay stations at Rajkot and Dwarka are unable to give proper coverage to Jamnagar due to the distance; as a result of which the people of Jamnagar are being deprived of important educational and information programmes;

(c) whether Government have received requests from some organisations for setting up a new television relay station at Jamnagar; if so, what are t'he names of those organisations and Government's response to the requests; and

(d) by when Jamnagar is likely to get a television relay station?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA). (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) TV reception at Jamnagar, which falls on the fringe of the coverage zone of the existing high power (10 KW) TV transmitter at Rajkot, has improved consequent on repairs to the antenna system of the TV transmitter, Rajkot. However, the existing high power (10 KW) TV transmitter at Dwarka is cot expected to provide service to Jamnagar.

(c) Requests have been received from various organisations, i. e., TV Viewers Union, Jamnagar Navangar Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Jamnagar and individuals - from time to time for setting up of a TV transmitter at Jamnagar. Constraint of resources does not, however, permit the setting up of a new TV transmitter at Jamnagar during the VII Plan period.

(d) TV service in the country can be expanded only in a phased manner. As such, provision of a TV transmitter at Jamnagar will depend on the future avail-' ability of resources for this purpose.

Dumping of garbage in plot belonging toAmerican Embassy in South ExtensionNew Delhi

2232. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that some associations have represented against con-